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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment  
Deputy Director for Operations

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Ambassador Dean's MBFR Proposal ☐

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25X1 1. Several weeks ago the DDO asked me to alert Dr. Brzezinski not to give in on a proposal that Ambassador Dean was making with regard to the data base for MBFR. I did so. I am now wondering what has happened to Dean's proposal. I would like to be sure we don't fall behind on this one and find ourselves with all other elements of the Government building up a head of steam in some direction we cannot accept. ☐

2. It is my understanding that they are talking about an "inclusion-exclusion approach." This would require us to provide the numbers of soldiers we tally in each Soviet and Warsaw Pact unit and the number of those units, and thus break down our data base so the Soviets could logically compare it with their numbers. If I understand our own data source, this would neither be possible nor desirable. ☐

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25X1 3. In short, I would like to be sure this one doesn't get out of hand. ☐

  
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